



PONTOON YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS



Judy Coon 4/14
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Sharon Vincent 4/25





Commodore's April Comments

The weather has turned. Our March outings brought us great weather and great turnout!

There was a lot of "wearing o' the green" for our St. Patrick's celebration March 13th at the Eustis docks. Our hosts, Sharon and Dan Vincent, had a St. Patrick's Day quiz for us to take. We soon realized that we didn't know much about that holiday, but we had fun finding out the answers.

We didn't see any nudes at Long Island Nude Beach on March 27th, but we did spot some muscle men and a bikini babe. Before lunch we were tasked with matching up beach themed movies and songs with the correct actor and singer. It was definitely a challenge! Thanks to Carl and Joan Scott for organizing a fun event.

Our first visit back to a restaurant occurs on April 10th. We'll be at Crazy Gators ordering from the menu. To protect all our members, masks must be worn at the restaurant unless you are eating. You should also bring your own sanitizer and disinfectant wipes. We will also begin the 50/50 drawing.

On April 24th we'll be eating pizza at the Hickory Point Pavilion.

You will notice that our PYC Covid-19 Guidelines are no longer in the newsletter. The Board at their March meeting discussed that the guidelines either didn't apply anymore or have become ingrained procedures. I am also happy to report that most, if not all, of our members have had at least one Covid-19 shot.

Hope to see you all at our next events. We still need some hosts for July and August. To avoid the summer weekend crowds, you could schedule your event during the week. Let me know if you can step up and help.

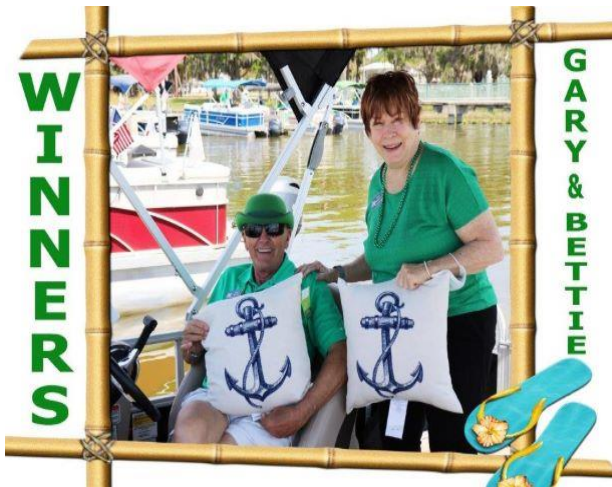
Enjoy the water!

Commodore Cindy

Rear Commodore Gary Rhoads

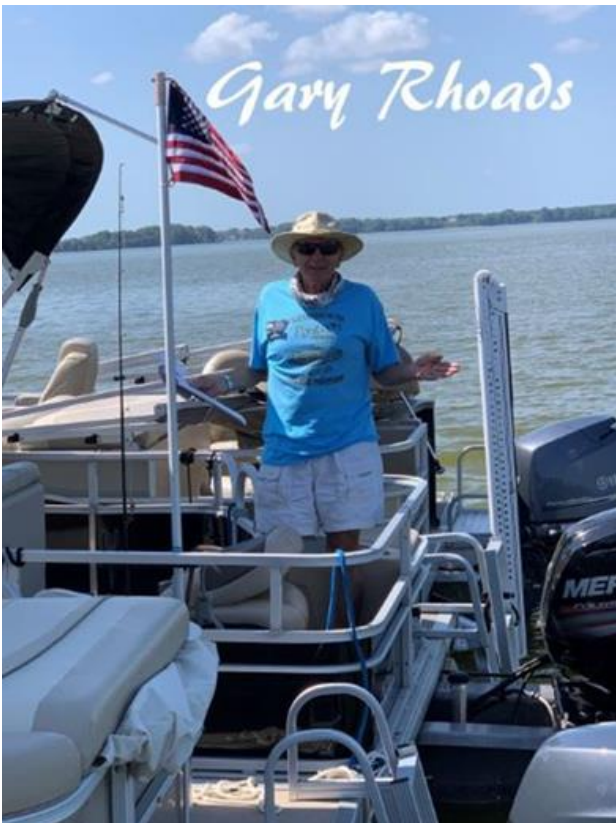
PYC St. Patrick's Day event had a total of 11 boats and 26 people attending. Boat participants included the Rhoads, Nebergalls, Comastra/Wiersma, Karrels, Wells, Bantas/Clarks & Calven, Roeskes, Scotts, Kindingers, Weavers, Gancars. Sharon Vincent came by car. It was a beautiful day on the water and a great turnout!

St. Patrick's Outing Pictures thanks to Sharon Vincent





3/27/21 Outing to Naked Beach





Thanks to Kay Weaver for the pictures

Boating Tips by Our Cruise Master Randy Petrichko

With all the beautiful spring weather, we are sure to find ourselves wanting to anchor up and have lunch or just relax. Anchoring in the Lakes is a pretty straight forward operation but let me go over a few things just for reminders.

1. Make sure your anchor is large enough for your boat-attach @6 ft. of 1/4" chain to the anchor and then @ 100 ft. of 3/8"nylon line to that.

2. When you are at the spot where you want to anchor, put your bow into the wind (if there is no wind, just put your boat in reverse for a few seconds then into neutral) then slowly lower your anchor so that the chain doesn't wrap around it and let the wind push you away from it.

3. As you drift backwards you want to let out 5X the amount of line as there is depth of water. For instance: 10 ft of water you would let out 50ft of line. (More is always better)

4. Once you have enough line out, tie it off to a bow cleat and look around for some landmarks that you can use as reference points to let you know if you are drifting or not. If you find you are drifting, the first solution is to let out more line. If that doesn't work, the bottom may not be suitable for the type of anchor you are using, and you may have to choose another location.

So, lunch was great, you go to pull up the anchor and it is stuck or fouled. So, the first thing to do is to pull in as much line as you can and tie it off to a cleat. Once it is tied off, turn your wheel into the direction of the anchor and put your boat in forward (very slowly). By turning around, you should spin the anchor free. Once you have turned @180 degrees try pulling up your anchor and it should be free.

Looking Ahead

MAKE YOUR PYC HOTEL RESERVATIONS NOW

Nights of 6/8, 6/9 & 6/10 2021 at Riviera Resort, St. Johns River

Rooms are going fast at Riviera Resort [(888) 823-4642 or (386) 822-5662 www.rivieraresort.net] on the St. Johns River in Deland. A \$50 room deposit required for three nights stay, standard room (3 nights) is \$319.50 tax included. All rooms have kitchens. Boat slips are \$7.00 per night. We are going mid-week, arriving June 8th and departing on Friday, June 11th. Call Terry Weaver (352) 978-0439 if you would like to attend, if you are bringing your boat and if you have space left on your boat to accommodate additional PYC members. Activity details to follow as we get closer to June outing.



April 10, 2021
Florida Crackers
Crazy Gators – Eustis
Hosts: Mike and Bonnie Wells



Social Hour 11:30 -12:00 Lunch around noon

We'll meet at Crazy Gators for our social hour and put in our orders from the menu at that time. Remember that members must wear masks unless they are eating. Bring your own sanitizer and disinfectant wipes. After lunch there will be a quiz to see what you know about Florida. So the hosts can let Crazy Gators know our number, please email Michael.wells59@yahoo.com or call 352-408-3091 Mike and Bonnie Wells by **Wednesday, April 7th** to let them know if you are attending.



April 24, 2021
Pizza at the Pavilion
Hosts: John and Cindy Kindige



Raft up 10:30-10:45 Lake Harris side of the Dead River
Social Hour 11:15-12:00 Lunch @ 12:00

We'll raft up in Lake Harris and depart at 10:45 for Hickory Point. The first floor of the pavilion is reserved for us. Pizza will be delivered around 12:00. Plates, forks and knives will be provided. You will need to bring your own drinks. Please remember that no alcohol is allowed at Hickory Point. Masks should continue to be worn unless eating, and you need to bring your own sanitizer/disinfectant wipes. Cost is \$8.00 per person and due to Carol Clarke – 3542 Manatee Road, Tavares, FL 32778 by **Wednesday, April 21st**.

Any corrections to newsletter please email at joanscott100@comcast.net

PYC 2021 EVENTS CALENDAR FOR PONTOON YACHT CLUB

**Please submit Outing Information Form to the Commodore
cindykindinger@yahoo.com**

We need all members to sign up to host an event.

Date	Form	Outing Description & Location	Host 1	Host 2
1/9/2021		Gilbert Park	John & Cindy Kindinger	
1/23/2021		Canada Event	John & Sue Pierce	John & Cindy Kindinger
2/13/2021		Nature Scavenger Hunt	Steve & Sue Roeske	
2/27/2021		George Fest, Pontoons on the Water	Bob & Bettie Nebergall	
3/13/2021		St. Patrick's Day	Dan & Sharon Vincent	
3/27/2021		Long Island Nude Beach	Carl & Joan Scott	Ken & Maggie Crowell
4/10/2021		Beach Picnic	Mike & Bonnie Wells	Bill & Jan Byzek
4/24/2021		Pizza on the Pavilion	John & Cindy Kindinger	
5/8/2021		Crazy Gator	Gary & Cheryl Rhoads	John & Cindy Kindinger
5/22/2021		GPS Scrabble	Butch & Marilyn Karrels	Carl & Joan Scott
6/8-11/2021		St. John's River trip	Terry & Kay Weaver	
6/26/2021		Potluck	Art & Linda Stowell	
7/10/2021				
7/24/2021				
8/14/2021				
8/28/2021				
9/11/2021		Lake Harris Hideway	Vik & Elizabeth Kapoor	Butch & Marilyn Karrels
9/25/2021			Randy Petrichko/ Patty Sabo	Gary & Cheryl Rhoads
10/9/2021		Moss Bluff	Jim & Carol Clarke	Bob & Cathy Banta
10/23/2021		Zombie Apocalypse	Bob & Bettie Nebergall	
11/13/2021		Thanksgiving	Tim & Angela Hill	Joe Comastra & Lorraine Weirsmas
12/11/2021		Christmas		